

The weather was so pleasant the first few days that all
first mess were able to go to the table & to the
eight dinner room, whose health being feeble when he came on
board was much affected by the sickness brought on by some
weeks. He was one of the time confined to his bed & received
a great deal of care. Many circumstances seemed to combine
to keep his low state from being any great square & not a
sufficiently bright to stand out in the world. I was sent up
with the air very unpleasant & being unwell in a return
to the ship to furnish those comforts which a person in
such a state needs, and so sometimes find that we would
love to be in the open air but the wind was so strong
to hinder that we were obliged to stay in the cabin. He
state of sea had not had before for six or eight months. It
was to last in fact at all times but whereas in seasons of double
the tiding after we left port we experienced a very sudden
gale - I cannot describe to you the horrors of such a storm
it appeared as if the elements were at war with each other, the
sea energy well must fall a victim to their fury. We were
very near being our long boat carried away with most of our
stock. parts of the deck were torn off by the
windings of the sea & many other things were
such force as to require all our strength at times to prevent
being thrown from one side of the vessel to the other. But for
most of our distress the Lord remembered us. He sent out
winds - about twelve at night after the heaviest storm
calm, the winds died away & it was a moment when
was a calm. We all felt that our deliverance was from Him
to hold that the Lord had preserved us. I was immediately
gathered to make our acknowledgments to Him by prayer & thank-
sgiving. The Capt. observed after the storm that he had sel-
dom experienced heavier gales of winds than we occasionally
had during this blow, but was by no means satisfied to be so
as preserved. I know not that I ever saw any vessel so
fully before, and my entire dependence on God. But I had not
anyhow or alarmed my mind was calm & felt willing that God should

I am anxious to reach our destined port, but am not impatient. I often accompany you with your little family across the street to the church, but while I am going I sometimes say perhaps it is this some one of that little remnant of that family which was once & which is still so dear to me has been called to follow you. Ah we must all follow them to the tomb, & to other worlds. No matter how soon, if prepared - May the solemn injunction of our Divine Saviour sink deep into our hearts. Be ye also ready. We may never forget that we are born to die. If this truth rightly affect us we shall meet again & meet our Christian friends too in a far better world than this never, never, to be separated from them as from the blessed dead. We have on board our little ship twenty eight persons. Ten sailors & the cook, who live in the fore part of the vessel - The Captain & his two mates the Surgeons, a young good man, the steward & cabin boy a little sort of the Captain's African who was put on board to wait on the passengers do chores in the cabin (his object is to get to his native country which is near the Cape of Hope) a son of Capt. Marsden's of C. Port, one of the principal owners of this vessel. (He goes this voyage for his health) with the more missionaries - The steward is a serious, & I suppose a pious man. The Capt. is convinced of the importance of being interested in Christ, & attends when he can our family devotion & other religious meetings. He is a very careful man; admires & respects for his station, & very kind to us & to his men. He wants nothing but piety to be what we would wish him to be. I hope he will be a Christian before he dies. Our food is very palatable - have a neat good cook & a first excellent steward - We had a large quantity of fresh meat once or twice a week. We suffer most for the want of good water & now for good butter. Milk also to me is a great luxury - How often do I think of Aunt Maria's milk room & wish I just call there with a tumbler occasionally - But with so many ^{complaints} I cannot for

To Mrs Moller
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